

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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- At least up to December 1952, the 8 Rifle Regiment occupied the barracks in the northeast sector of Stalin. The barracks also contained a naval annex. [REDACTED] 25X1  
[REDACTED] It is believed that the regiment was still there in November 1953.

- No armored formations have been observed.
- An antiaircraft unit is stationed in barracks on Point Galata, which was declared a military zone in late 1951 or early 1952.
- A Trudovak unit, [REDACTED] is located in barracks to the west of the prison and directly adjacent to it. The prison is situated in the western outskirts of the town. In early 1953, this Trudovak unit was provided with personal weapons for which each Trudovak was individually responsible. 25X1
- There is a Marine unit in barracks south of the canal, joining Lake Devnya with the sea. They wear naval uniforms with red piping on the shoulder boards.
- Work on widening the canal began in late 1952 or early 1953, and it is rumored that it is intended eventually to berth naval vessels in the lake.
- Units of the Bulgarian Navy based at Stalin include the following:
  - One cruiser (kraytser).<sup>1</sup> A gift from the USSR.
  - Five mine-layers. These date back to World War I. 25X1
  - Three or more patrol boats. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] seen at a distance, they appear to behave like fast motor-boats, "planing" and leaving a white wake.

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8. Personnel in naval uniform bearing the inscription "M.V.R. Morskaya Granichnaya Otkrytiya (Ministry of Internal Affairs, Coastal Defense)" in gold lettering on their cap-bands can be observed in Stalin.

9. In early 1953, the cardboard factory located on the corner of Preslavka and Tsaribrod streets began to manufacture "shell-containers" (kutii za snaryada; cases for equipment). The work was considered dangerous and the need for secrecy was impressed on the workmen. [REDACTED]

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